(i) Shri Kirpal Singh representing Govind Sadan Institute for Advanced Studies in Comparative Religion, Mehrauli, New Delhi-30;

(ii) Capt. Kr. Vikram Singh representing the Samyukt Kshatriya Mahasangh, Safdarjang Enclave, New Delhi-10;

(iii) Shri Paramjit Singh Sarna representing the Sikh Gurudwara Management Committee, New Delhi-01; and,

(iv) Shri Khilli Mal Jain representing the Digambar Jain Mahasamiti, Alwar-301001.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Translation of Textbooks

1244. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Jamia Millia Islamia and NCERT would be jointly translating school textbooks in Urdu;

(b) if so, whether Government are thinking of similar translation in other regional languages like Punjabi, Marathi, etc.; and

(c) the number of Urdu medium schools of Middle and Secondary levels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir. NCERT has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Jamia Millia Islamia dated 14th September, 2005 whereby Jamia Millia Islamia will provide the Urdu translation of NCERT textbooks.

(b) No, Sir. As per present policy, NCERT publishes school textbooks in English, Hindi and Urdu only.

(c) Information on the number of Urdu medium schools is not available at the Central Government level as Education is in the concurrent list.

India's Rank in UNESCO Report

1245. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UNESCO's Education for All development index for 2004 has ranked India 105th out of 127; and